Dear Committee Members,

I respectfully support HB 6491 to allow less than lethal "stun guns" to be able to be carried by law abiding citizens.

The US Supreme Court has already ruled that they are covered under the 2nd Amendment.

The use and carry of less than lethal devices ought to be encouraged and supported by anyone that might prefer them to firearms.

The persons most benefitting of them would be those that are not familiar with firearms, or unable for whatever reason to carry a firearm such as to work etc. Those that cannot get a pistol permit due to the time and expense of getting the safety class, the local, then state permit. Those people will be unduly represented by the poor, the elderly, the handicapped, the minorities, and working single moms.

Especially important would be for those under some threat, think women breaking up with an abusive spouse or mate, who cannot given the time restraints of the process, be able to get a pistol permit.

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